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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 62 and Title 65, relative to the Tennessee Regulatory Authority and the Underground Utility Damage Prevention Act.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-31-112, is amended by inserting after the second sentence the following language: "The Tennessee regulatory authority is also authorized to assess and enforce such civil penalty by order issued pursuant to its authority under this title."

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-31-106, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection to be appropriately designated:

() In addition to any other penalty imposed by law, the Tennessee regulatory authority is authorized to require violators of the notice provisions of this section to attend a one day class on the dangers of violating such provisions. Violators shall be required to pay for the costs of the class.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 65, Chapter 31, is amended by adding the following as a new section to be appropriately designated:

Section _____. The Tennessee regulatory authority may order the revocation or suspension for a period not to exceed one (1) year of the license of any contractor, licensed pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 62, or licensed by a local

government pursuant to law who violates any provision of this chapter three (3) or more times within a one (1) year period. In order for such revocation or suspension to be effective, the Tennessee regulatory authority shall transmit a copy of such order to the licensing authority. The licensing authority shall revoke or suspend the license pursuant to the order within ninety (90) days of receipt of the order.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect on July 1, 1996, the public welfare requiring it.

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